

36.7 – Commercial Filming and Still Photography Fees

1. Require a fee for the professional use of still photography equipment, motion picture equipment, or other videotaping equipment on National Forest System lands according to policy set forth in FSM 2720.5 and to the following schedule. If a calculated permit fee is less than the Region 2 minimum, charge the regional minimum of \$110.

2. Fee Schedules.

a. A fee is required based on the number of people (non-Forest Service) at each location and at each staging area according to the following schedules:

(1) Still Photography.

<u>Number of People</u>	<u>Daily Rate for Each Location</u>
1-3	\$75
4-10	\$100
11-30	\$150
31-49	\$250
50-100	\$300
over 100	\$300 (or as determined by appraisal)

(2) Motion Picture and Video Filming.

<u>Daily Rate for Number of People</u>	<u>Daily Rate for Location</u>	<u>Each Staging Area</u>
1-10	\$150	\$75
11-30	\$250	\$125
31-60	\$450	\$225
61-100	\$600	\$300
over 100	\$600	\$300

(3) The number of people includes actors, models, and filming and support crew. If the number of people exceeds 100, the authorized officer may order an appraisal to determine fair market value. Absent such an appraisal, the maximum daily rental is as shown on the schedules for both still photography and for motion picture filming.

(4) Charge fees for use in excess of 20 days at 85 percent of the daily rate.

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b. Additional fees are required for special conditions identified in the following schedule:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Daily Fee</u>
Traffic control (road closures, detours, and so forth)	\$150
Use of Congressional or agency identified areas such as Wilderness, Research Natural Areas	\$150
Authorized surface disturbances (grading, removal of rocks, use of heavy earth-moving equipment, or animals)	\$100
Special effects (crashes, large pyrotechnics, fire scenes, and so forth)	\$100

c. A bond may be required for any activity requiring surface reclamation or restoration.

d. The fee schedule will be updated annually based on the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U), U.S. City Average.

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3. Short Stop Fee. Charge a flat fee of \$1.00 per client per service day for each trip (generally 4 hours or less) on National Forest System land. Make no further off-forest use fee reductions. This commercial special use permit fee is separate from and in addition to any entrance or user fees that may be charged the general public